

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A plant extract ~~having an activity of inhibiting that inhibits~~ a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5).

2. (Currently Amended) A plant extract obtained by extraction from a plant belonging to Rosaceae, Ericaceae, Aquifoliaceae, Rubiaceae, Compositae or Phaeophyceae with water or a solvent other than water ~~and having an activity of inhibiting, that inhibits~~ a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5).

3. (Original) The plant extract as claimed in claim 2, wherein the plant is selected from the group consisting of rose fruit, loquat, burnet, bearberry, mate, cat's claw, mugwort and brown algae.

4. (Currently Amended) A plant extract obtained by extraction from *Uncaria rhynchophylla* or tea with water or a solvent other than water ~~and having an activity of inhibiting, that inhibits~~ a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5).

5. (Original) A fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) inhibitor containing one or more kinds of extracts obtained by extraction from rose fruit, loquat, burnet, bearberry, mate, cat's claw, mugwort, *Uncaria rhynchophylla*, tea and brown algae with water or a solvent other than water.

6. (Currently Amended) A hair growth stimulant containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts ~~inhibiting that inhibits~~ a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~claim 1.

7. (Currently Amended) A cosmetic containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts ~~inhibiting~~that inhibits a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~claim 1.

8. (New) A hair growth stimulant containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts that inhibits a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in claim 2.

9. (New) A hair growth stimulant containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts that inhibits a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in claim 3.

10. (New) A hair growth stimulant containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts that inhibits a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in claim 4.

11. (New) A cosmetic containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts that inhibits a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in claim 2.

12. (New) A cosmetic containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts that inhibits a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in claim 3.

13. (New) A cosmetic containing as active ingredients one or more kinds of the plant extracts that inhibits a function of fibroblast growth factor 5 (FGF-5) as claimed in claim 4.